Setting up of an Inter-Ministerial Committee on Welfare of AGED

2780. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Inter-Ministerial Committee on welfare of aged has been set up;

(b) if so, what is the composition of the Committe;

(c) what are the terms of reference of the Committee; whether they include consideration of a Draft National Policy and suggesting programmes for the care and protection of the elderly;

(d) whether the Working Group on Special Social Problems constituted by the Planning Commission also suggested specific schemes in the Central Sector for the welfare of the aged during the Eighth plan; and

(e) what are the institutional interlinkages provided to ensure that the work done by the inter-Ministerial Committee set up by the Ministry of Labour and Welfare and the working Group for the Eighth Plan set up by the Planning Commission have not overlap and is, in fact, co-related and integrated in the development of policy and programmes for the Elderly?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A copy of the Order showing the composition of the Committee and terms of reference is appended. (*See* below).

(d) Yes, Sir. The following institutional framework and schemes have been suggested in the report of the Working Group for the Eighth Plan.

1. National Board for Senior Citizens;

2. National Institute for Senior Citizens;

3. Grants for construction of old age homes;

4. Maintenance grants to the Voluntary Organisations;

5. Grants for Day Care Centres.

6. Grants for Foster Care and Adoption, arranged by Voluntary Organisations.

(e) Both, the Inter-Ministerial Committee and the Working Group have been assigned specific tasks as per the terms of reference. The former is an official committee entrusted with specific task of examining the recommendations of the Round Table Conference organised by Indian Council of Medical Research & others held in December 1986 in Delhi, on the care of the elderly and to consider the draft national policy suggested by it; and to suggest programmes with a view to channelise the energies of the elderly for income generation as social services. The Working Group was set up to review the approach and strategy, the existing Central & State sector programmes for the elderly and to suggest development and welfare programmes for the Eighth Plan. However, the Inter-Ministerial Committee has taken into account the recommendations of the Working Group relating to the Aged while finalising its report.

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ORDER

Subject: Inter Ministerial Committee on Welfare of the Aged.

Ministry of Welfare have decided to set up an Inter-Ministerial Committee on Welfare of the Aged with the following terms of references:

(1) to examine the recommendations of the Round Table discussions

on Care of the Elderly sponsored by the Indian Council of Medical Research and other medical and family planning bodies and suggest ways and means of implementing them;

(2) to consider the draft national policy on care of the Elderly suggested by the Round Table discussions and suggest a policy frame for adoption.

(3) to suggest programmes for the care and protection of the elderly in keeping with the changing socio-economic conditions as also for utilisation of their services and experiences with a view to supplement the income as also channelise their energies in community support activities.

2. The composition of the Committee is as follows:—

(1) Secretary, Ministry of Welfare	Chairman
(2) Representative of the Ministry of Health	Member
(3) Representative of the Deptt. of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development	Member
(4) Representative of the Ministry of Labour	Member
(5) Representative of the Deptt. of Pensions, Ministry of Personnel	Member
(6) Representative of the Ministry of Transport	Member
(7) Representative of the Ministry of Urban Development	Member
(8) Representative of the Ministry of Finance	Memver
(9) Representative of the Ministry of Rural Development	Member
(10) Representative of the Planning Commission	Member
(11) Joint Secretary Ministry of Welfare	Member-Secy.

3. The tenure of the committee shall be two years and it shall meet as often as necessary.

4. The Chairman shall have the right to invite representatives of other Departments/Ministries State Governments, Voluntary organisations, experts, etc. as and when required.

5. The non-official invitees to the meeting shall be eligible to T.A./D.A. for attending the meetings as provided under rules.

Sd/-
(ASHA DAS)
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Encroachment of land in Rohini Project

2781. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some influential persons of the area has encroached upon the DDA Land of Rohini Project measuring about one acre in between Avantika and Village Mangolpur Khurd, West Delhi during the riots in 1984 in Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the land so encroached upon has been used for constructing about 60 dwelling units by the persons concerned;

(c) whether the land so encroached upon is within the limit of village 'Lal Dora'; and

(d) if the reply of (a) to (c) above is in affirmative, the details of house-